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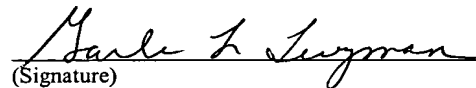
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NOTICE OF APPEAL

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Sir:

A Final Rejection of claims 1-6, 8-9, 13-20, 23, 25, 41, and 71-102, all pending claims in the subject application, was mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on February 26, 2004. Applicants respectfully point out that the Examiner did not indicate that claim 41 was still pending in the captioned application (*see* Office Action Summary, form PTOL-326), Item 4), though claim 41 is rejected by the Examiner (*Id.* at Item 6).

Applicants hereby appeal the Examiner's Final Rejection of claims 1-6, 8-9, 13-20, 23, 25, 41, and 71-102.

Enclosed is our check for \$330.00 in payment of the fee specified under 1.17(b) for filing this Notice of Appeal. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional amounts, or to credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to our matter number 834460-68474. A duplicate copy of this Notice is enclosed for this purpose.

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